

Subject: Petitions
Date of Meeting: 22 September 2016
Report of: Executive Lead for Strategy Governance & Law
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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 To receive those petitions presented to the Full Council and referred to the committee for consideration.
- 1.2 To receive any petitions to be presented or which have been submitted via the council's website or for which notice has been given directly to Democratic Services.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 That the Committee responds to the petition either by noting it or writing to the petition organiser setting out the Council's views, or where it is considered more appropriate, calls for an officer report on the matter which may give consideration to a range of options, including the following:
 - taking the action requested in the petition
 - considering the petition at a council meeting
 - holding an inquiry into the matter
 - undertaking research into the matter
 - holding a public meeting
 - holding a consultation
 - holding a meeting with petitioners
 - calling a referendum

3. PETITIONS

- 3.1 Referred petitions:
 - i) **Designate St Aubyns Playing Field, Rottingdean as Local Green Space**

Petition from Lynne Moss (on behalf of St Aubyns Field Evergreen) referred from the Council meeting held on 21 July 2016 (1764 signatures).

To receive the following Petition:

“We the undersigned petition Brighton & Hove Council to (a) resolve to use all reasonable endeavours to achieve the designation (or equivalent status protection) of St Aubyns Playing Field, Rottingdean as a Local Green Space at the earliest opportunity; and (b) advise SAFE (Rottingdean) whether its policies and procedures permit one of its unelected officers to procure or initiate a significant amendment to a Full City Council resolution and, if not, whether these policies and procedures were adhered to in the case of the SAFE (Rottingdean) petition to have the field designated as a Local Green Space which was passed to the Economic Development and Cultural Committee meeting on 17 September 2015.”

Lead Petitioner – Lynne Moss

(Extract from the meeting of Council on 21 July 2016 attached as an appendix)